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1. THE FOREIGN OFFICE HAS GIVEN US THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL IDEAS ON THE SECRETARY'S BONN PROGRAM, NOTING, HOWEVER, THAT DETAILS ARE STILL TENTATIVE PENDING APPROVAL BY SCHMIDT AND/OR GENSCHER:

FEB. 15, 2300 HOURS. SECRETARY'S PARTY WOULD BE MET ON ARRIVAL BY GENSCHER, MRS. GENSCHER, POLITICAL DIRECTOR VAN WELL, US COUNTRY DIRECTOR DANNENBRING AND PROTOCOL CHIEF VON PODEWILS.

FEB. 16, 0900. THE SECRETARY AND GENSCHER BREAKFAST TOGETHER.

FEB. 16, 0930. WHILE THE SECRETARY AND GENSCHER ARE HAVING BREAKFAST, INFORMAL TALKS BEGIN BETWEEN MEMBERS OF DELEGATIONS, DIVIDED INTO SMALLER GROUPS BY AREA OF INTEREST, E.G., SISCO WITH FOREIGN OFFICE STATE SECRETARY SACHS (IN ABSENCE OF STATE SECRETARY GEHL-HOFF, WHO WILL BE ON LEAVE) AND MINISTERIALDIREKTOR HERMES (ENERGY); SONNENFELDT AND HARTMAN WITH VAN WELL
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AND DANNENBRING; ATHERTON AND SAUNDERS WITH MINISTERIAL-

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DIREKTOR LAHN (MIDDLE EAST). GENSCHER'S PERSONAL ASSISTANT, KINKEL, WOULD ALSO BE PRESENT.

FEB. 16, 1000. WHEN THE SECRETARY AND THE MINISTER HAVE FINISHED BREAKFAST, MEETING OF THE TWO DELEGATIONS BEGINS.

FEB. 16, 1145. THE SECRETARY, GENSCHER AND LUNCHEON GUESTS LEAVE BY HELICOPTER FOR THE CHANCELLERY.

FEB. 16, 1200. ARRIVAL AT THE CHANCELLERY. THE FOREIGN OFFICE TELLS US THAT SCHMIDT WILL WISH TO KEEP THE LUNCH SMALL. THEY ARE THINKING OF SCHMIDT, GENSCHER AND POSSIBLY THREE OTHERS, WITH THE SECRETARY PLUS FOUR ON THE AMERICAN SIDE. THEY ENVISAGE SCHMIDT AND GENSCHER MEETING WITH THE SECRETARY FROM 1200 TO ABOUT 1230, WHEN LUNCH WOULD BEGIN. THEY ASSUME LUNCH WILL END AT ABOUT 1400. THEY SUGGEST THAT THE SECRETARY AND GENSCHER MIGHT CONTINUE THEIR TALKS FOR A SHORT TIME AFTER LUNCH UNTIL THE SECRETARY LEAVES FOR HIS MEETING WITH BITSIOS AT THE EMBASSY. THE GERMANS PROPOSE THAT THE MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATIONS WHO DO NOT GO TO THE CHANCELLERY REMAIN AT GYMNICH AND LUNCH THERE TOGETHER. AFTER LUNCH, THE MORNING MEETINGS COULD BE RESUMED, WITH THE DELEGATIONS AGAIN DIVIDING UP INTO SMALLER GROUPS BY ISSUES.

2. THE FOREIGN OFFICE TELLS US THEY ASSUME THE MIDDLE EAST AND ENERGY WILL BE MAIN TOPICS OF THE SECRETARY'S VISIT, WITH MEDITERRANEAN ISSUES (GREECE, TURKEY, CYPRUS, PORTUGAL) ALSO PROMINENT. THEY HAVE NOTED CSCE, MBFR, AND UN MATTERS AS AREAS OF INTEREST. THEY HAVE PROPOSED TO GENSCHER THAT IF GERMANY/BERLIN IS DEALT WITH, IT SHOULD BE ONLY "IN PASSING" SINCE THERE IS NOTHING THEY PARTICULARLY WANT TO RAISE AT THIS TIME.
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